



Grafton, NH

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Grafton

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Upper Valley Lake Sunapee

Grafton County Economic Development Council

District 2

District 1

District 2

Grafton County Districts 9, 17

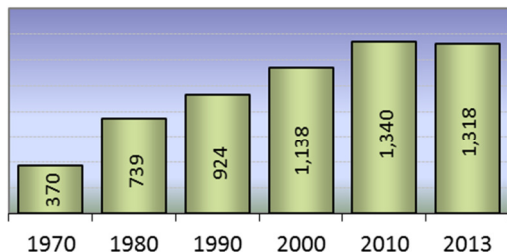
Incorporated: 1778

Origin: This town was named for Augustus Henry Fitzroy, Duke of Grafton, Earl of Arlington and Euston, Viscount Thetford, and Baron Sudbury. The Duke was a pro-American member of English government prior to the Revolution, and related to Governor Benning Wentworth. Grafton County and Thetford, Vermont, were also named in honor of the Duke. Grantees of the initial 1761 charter voted to surrender their grant in 1762. The land was regranted in 1769 to new colonists, including John Hancock and James Otis, well-known Boston patriots.

Villages and Place Names: East Grafton, Grafton Center, Robinson Corner, Cardigan Station

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 403 residents in 1790

Population Trends: Population change for Grafton totaled 970 over 53 years, from



348 in 1960 to 1,318 in

2013. The largest decennial

percent change was 100 percent between 1970 and 1980, nearly doubling the

population over those ten years. The 2013 Census estimate for Grafton was

1,318 residents, which ranked 170th among New Hampshire's incorporated cities and

towns.

Population Density and Land Area, 2013 (US Census Bureau): 31.7 persons per square mile of land area. Grafton contains 41.6 square miles of land area and 0.8 square miles of inland water area.



Grafton County

| MUNICIPAL SERVICES | | | |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| Type of Government | | Selectmen | |
| Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2014 | | \$1,320,561 | |
| Budget: School Appropriations, 2013-2014 | | \$2,395,915 | |
| Zoning Ordinance | | No Board | |
| Master Plan | | 1987 | |
| Capital Improvement Plan | | No | |
| Industrial Plans Reviewed By | | Planning Board | |
| Boards and Commissions | | | |
| Elected: | Selectmen; Planning; Trust Funds; Library; Budget; Treasurer; Tax Collector; Town Clerk; Police Chief; Checklist; Road Agent; Cemetery; Moderator | | |
| Appointed: | Recreation | | |
| Public Library | Grafton Public | | |
| EMERGENCY SERVICES | | | |
| Police Department | | Full-time | |
| Fire Department | | Volunteer | |
| Emergency Medical Service | | Volunteer | |
| Nearest Hospital(s) | | Distance | Staffed Beds |
| New London Hospital, New London | | 22 miles | 25 |
| Alice Peck Day Memorial, Lebanon | | 23 miles | 25 |
| Dartmouth-Hitchcock Med Ctr, Lebanon | | 25 miles | 388 |
| UTILITIES | | | |
| Electric Supplier | | Eversource Energy; NH Electric Coop | |
| Natural Gas Supplier | | None | |
| Water Supplier | | Private wells | |
| Sanitation | | Private septic | |
| Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant | | No | |
| Solid Waste Disposal | | | |
| Curbside Trash Pickup | | None | |
| Pay-As-You-Throw Program | | No | |
| Recycling Program | | Mandatory | |
| Telephone Company | | Fairpoint | |
| Cellular Telephone Access | | Limited | |
| Cable Television Access | | Limited | |
| Public Access Television Station | | No | |
| High Speed Internet Service: | Business | Limited | |
| | Residential | Limited | |
| PROPERTY TAXES | | (NH Dept. of Revenue Administration) | |
| 2013 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value) | | \$20.84 | |
| 2013 Equalization Ratio | | 116.6 | |
| 2013 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value) | | \$24.28 | |
| 2013 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by Property Type | | | |
| Residential Land and Buildings | | 95.2% | |
| Commercial Land and Buildings | | 1.8% | |
| Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other | | 3.0% | |
| HOUSING | | (ACS 2009-2013) | |
| Total Housing Units | | 796 | |
| Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached | | 631 | |
| Units in Multiple-Family Structures: | | | |
| Two to Four Units in Structure | | 22 | |
| Five or More Units in Structure | | 0 | |
| Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units | | 143 | |

| DEMOGRAPHICS | | (US Census Bureau) | |
|---|--------|--------------------|------------|
| Total Population | | Community | County |
| 2013 | 1,318 | | 89,268 |
| 2010 | 1,340 | | 89,118 |
| 2000 | 1,138 | | 81,826 |
| 1990 | 924 | | 74,998 |
| 1980 | 739 | | 65,806 |
| 1970 | 370 | | 54,914 |
| Demographics, American Community Survey (ACS) 2009-2013 | | | |
| Population by Gender | | | |
| Male | 682 | Female | 636 |
| Population by Age Group | | | |
| Under age 5 | | | 54 |
| Age 5 to 19 | | | 242 |
| Age 20 to 34 | | | 189 |
| Age 35 to 54 | | | 388 |
| Age 55 to 64 | | | 252 |
| Age 65 and over | | | 193 |
| Median Age | | | 46.6 years |
| Educational Attainment, population 25 years and over | | | |
| High school graduate or higher | | | 91.6% |
| Bachelor's degree or higher | | | 24.4% |
| INCOME, INFLATION ADJUSTED \$ | | (ACS 2009-2013) | |
| Per capita income | | | \$24,265 |
| Median family income | | | \$61,295 |
| Median household income | | | \$46,490 |
| Median Earnings, full-time, year-round workers | | | |
| Male | | | \$43,333 |
| Female | | | \$36,250 |
| Individuals below the poverty level | | | 14.3% |
| LABOR FORCE | | (NHES – ELMI) | |
| Annual Average | 2003 | | 2013 |
| Civilian labor force | 654 | | 796 |
| Employed | 625 | | 756 |
| Unemployed | 29 | | 40 |
| Unemployment rate | 4.4% | | 5.0% |
| EMPLOYMENT & WAGES | | (NHES – ELMI) | |
| Annual Average Covered Employment | 2003 | | 2013 |
| Goods Producing Industries | | | |
| Average Employment | n | | n |
| Average Weekly Wage | n | | n |
| Service Providing Industries | | | |
| Average Employment | n | | n |
| Average Weekly Wage | n | | n |
| Total Private Industry | | | |
| Average Employment | 36 | | n |
| Average Weekly Wage | \$ 251 | | n |
| Government (Federal, State, and Local) | | | |
| Average Employment | 21 | | 13 |
| Average Weekly Wage | \$ 180 | | \$ 439 |
| Total, Private Industry plus Government | | | |
| Average Employment | 57 | | n |
| Average Weekly Wage | \$ 225 | | n |
| If “n” appears, data do not meet disclosure standards. | | | |

EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE

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|---|---|--------------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| Schools students attend: | Grades K-12 are part of Mascoma Valley Regional (Canaan, Dorchester, Enfield, Grafton, Orange) | | | | District: SAU 62 |
| Career Technology Center(s): | Hartford Area Career and Technical Center, White River Junction VT | | | | Region: 7 |
| Educational Facilities (includes Charter Schools) | Elementary | Middle/Junior High | High School | Private/Parochial | |
| Number of Schools | | | | | |
| Grade Levels | | | | | |
| Total Enrollment | | | | | |

Nearest Community College: **Lakes Region; River Valley**Nearest Colleges or Universities: **Dartmouth; Colby-Sawyer; Plymouth State University; Lebanon**

2014 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS-Bureau of Child Care Licensing)

Total Facilities: **0** Total Capacity: **0**

| LARGEST BUSINESSES | PRODUCT/SERVICE | EMPLOYEES | ESTABLISHED |
|---------------------------|------------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Town of Grafton | Municipal services | 12 | 1778 |
| Ruggles Mine | Seasonal amusement | 10 | |

TRANSPORTATION (*distances estimated from city/town hall*)

| | | |
|--|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Road Access | US Routes | 4 |
| | State Routes | 4A |
| Nearest Interstate, Exit | I-89, Exit 17; I-93, Exit 23 | |
| Distance | 19 miles; 21 miles | |
| Railroad | | No |
| Public Transportation | | No |
| Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation | | |
| Newfound Valley, Bristol | Runway | 1,900 ft. asphalt |
| Lighted? No | Navigation Aids? | No |
| Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service | | |
| Lebanon Municipal | Distance | 26 miles |
| Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport | | 1 |
| Driving distance to select cities: | | |
| Manchester, NH | | 67 miles |
| Portland, Maine | | 109 miles |
| Boston, Mass. | | 117 miles |
| New York City, NY | | 291 miles |
| Montreal, Quebec | | 210 miles |

COMMUTING TO WORK

(ACS 2009-2013)

| | |
|----------------------------|---------------------|
| Workers 16 years and over | |
| Drove alone, car/truck/van | 81.4% |
| Carpooled, car/truck/van | 10.0% |
| Public transportation | 1.6% |
| Walked | 1.6% |
| Other means | 2.6% |
| Worked at home | 2.8% |
| Mean Travel Time to Work | 21.3 minutes |

Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2009-2013

| | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Working in community of residence | 16.0 |
| Commuting to another NH community | 72.9 |
| Commuting out-of-state | 11.1 |

RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

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| X | Municipal Parks |
| | YMCA/YWCA |
| | Boys Club/Girls Club |
| | Golf Courses |
| | Swimming: Indoor Facility |
| | Swimming: Outdoor Facility |
| | Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility |
| | Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility |
| | Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility |
| | Bowling Facilities |
| X | Museums |
| | Cinemas |
| | Performing Arts Facilities |
| X | Tourist Attractions |
| X | Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H) |
| | Youth Sports: Baseball |
| | Youth Sports: Soccer |
| | Youth Sports: Football |
| | Youth Sports: Basketball |
| | Youth Sports: Hockey |
| | Campgrounds |
| X | Fishing/Hunting |
| X | Boating/Marinas |
| X | Snowmobile Trails |
| X | Bicycle Trails |
| | Cross Country Skiing |
| X | Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area |
| | Overnight or Day Camps |
| | Nearest Ski Area(s): Ragged Mountain |
| | Other: Ruggles Mine |